The Board of Public Works met at the office of the Governor in the Union Trust Building, Baltimore, August 30, 1916.

Present: Governor Emerson C. Harrington,

Comptroller Hugh A. McMullen,

Treasurer John M. Dennis.

The Governor called the attention of the Board to a report of the State Auditor's Department to the Governor, showing a shortage of \$ in the accounts of William M. Carson, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, and said report was submitted to the Board and bears date the 26th day of August, 1916.

On motion, which was unanimously carried, the Attorney General was directed to collect at once the amount of the shortage due as shown by said report.

The Governor called the attention of the Board to information he had received from the Auditing Department, to the effect that an examination has been begun of the accounts of John Pleasants, Clerk of the Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City, which shows as far as the examination has proceeded a shortage of around \$4,800.

The auditing department reported to the Board that they had not been able to get access to the books of account of the Clerk of the Circuit Court No. 2, prior to three years ago, the Auditor being informed by the Deputy Clerk thereof that he does not know where the books of account of his office antedating three years ago, are.

On motion, which was unanimously carried, Mr. Ray, State Auditor, was directed to continue his examination of the books and accounts of the Clerk of the Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City, back to the beginning of the incumbency of John Pleasants, Clerk of saidCourt.

The Governor read to the Board a letter received by him from Wm. M. Maloy relating to equalization of taxation, said letter bearing date the day of 1916.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting adjourned.

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